

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for at least one of generating and/or and expanding a vocabulary database of a voicesspeech recognition system, comprising:

providing a computer-based audio module; and

training the voicesspeech recognition system by acoustic training using the audio module,
wherein the training the speech recognition system is performed by:

providing the audio module with vocabulary data; and

speaking the vocabulary data to the speech recognition system in an automated
manner using the audio module so as to expand the vocabulary database.

Claim 2 (canceled).

Claim 3 (currently amended): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the training the voicesspeech recognition system is performed by providing the audio module with vocabulary data from a speech database.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the training the voicesspeech recognition system is performed by providing the audio module with vocabulary data via a telecommunications network.

Claim 5 (original): The method as recited in claim 3 wherein the providing the audio module with vocabulary data is performed in a streaming mode.

Claim 6 (original): The method as recited in claim 4 wherein the providing the audio module with vocabulary data is performed in a streaming mode.

Claim 7 (original): The method as recited in claim 3 further comprising creating the speech database by automated speech synthesis of text data using a speech synthesis unit.

Claim 8 (original): The method as recited in claim 7 further comprising providing the text data from a text database.

Claim 9 (original): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the audio module includes a speech synthesis unit which converts text data to speech data.

Claim 10 (original): The method as recited in claim 9 further comprising providing the text data from a text database.

Claim 11 (original): The method as recited in claim 9 further comprising:
creating a text database in an automatic manner; and
providing the text data to the speech synthesis unit from the text database.

Claim 12 (original): The method as recited in claim 11 wherein the creating the text database is performed by:

finding the text data in an internal or external telecommunications network using at least one search engine, the text data being associated with at least one search term;
receiving the text data from at least one text data source; and
automatically storing the text data in the text database.

Claim 13 (original): The method as recited in claim 12 wherein the telecommunications network includes the Internet.

Claim 14 (original): The method as recited in claim 12 wherein the creating the text database is performed by automatically reading the text data from the at least one text data source using a data

processing system and wherein the automatically storing is performed using the data processing system.

Claim 15 (currently amended): The method as recited in claim 1 wherein the training the ~~voieespeech~~ recognition system is performed by providing the audio module with vocabulary data from a speech database and further comprising:

creating the speech database by automated speech synthesis of text data from a text database using a speech synthesis unit; and

analyzing and processing the text data prior to the speech synthesis.

Claim 16 (currently amended): A ~~voieespeech~~ recognition system comprising:

a vocabulary database;

a text database; and

~~a computer-based audio module including a speech synthesis unit configured to receive capable of receiving text data from the text database by acoustic speech input so as to generate and/or expand the vocabulary database and convert the text data to speech data, the speech data stored in a speech database,~~

~~wherein the speech data is spoken into the vocabulary database in an automated manner using the audio module so as to expand the vocabulary database.~~

Claim 17 (currently amended): The ~~voieespeech~~ recognition system as recited in claim 16 wherein the text database is generated by automatically searching a telecommunications network for text data related to a selected search term.